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From: Commander, U.S. Marine Corps Forces, Central Command

To: [REDACTED] (b)(3) 10 USC 130b, (b)(6), (b)(7)c, USMC

Subj: COMMAND INVESTIGATION INTO THE ALLEGED LAW OF ARMED  
CONFLICT VIOLATIONS OF 3<sup>RD</sup> BATTALION, 8<sup>TH</sup> MARINES,  
RAMADI, IRAQ DURING 2006

Ref: (a) JAGMAN, Chapter II

(b) DoDD 2311.01E DoD Law of War Program

1. Per the references, you are appointed to conduct a command investigation into the facts and circumstances surrounding the allegation that Marines from 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, 8<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment, on various occasions, violated the Law of Armed Conflict during their deployment to Ramadi, Iraq in 2006.

2. Investigate the circumstances of this incident and provide findings of fact, opinions and recommendations in letter form by 30 September 2010, unless an extension of time is granted. If you have not previously done so, read the references in their entirety before beginning your investigation. Include in your investigation any recommendations for appropriate administrative or disciplinary action.

3. At a minimum, you should specifically review statements made by [REDACTED] (b)(3) 10 USC 130b, (b)(6), (b)(7)c USMC and Naval Criminal Investigative Service Reports of Investigation pertaining to these allegations.

4. Please contact [REDACTED] (b)(3) 10 USC 130b, (b)(6), (b)(7)c  
Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, prior to beginning your inquiry. He can be reached at [REDACTED] (b)(3) 10 USC 130b, (b)(6), (b)(7)c or by email at [REDACTED] (b)(3) 10 USC 130b, (b)(6), (b)(7)c.

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